

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 21.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1882.

FIVE DOLLARS  
PER QUARTER.

## Insurances.

### LE CERCLE-TRANSPORTS.

SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME D'ASSURANCE  
MARITIME MARSEILLE.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....15,000,000 Francs.  
CAPITAL PAID-UP.....5,750,000 Francs.

The Undersigned, having been appointed  
AGENTS of the above Company, are prepared to  
GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all  
parts of the World.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [4]

### YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00  
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00  
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 283,936.17

TOTAL CAPITAL and  
ACCUMULATIONS, 2nd  
April, 1881.....Tls. 938,936.17

DIRECTORS.  
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.  
M. W. BOYD, Esq., Wm. MEYERINK, Esq.  
J. H. PINCKVOSS, Esq., F. D. HITCH, Esq.

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LONDON BRANCH.  
Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.  
Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent.  
68 and 69, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all  
parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for interest  
on shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the  
UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually dis-  
tributed among all Contributors of Business in  
proportion to the premia paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [53]

### NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.)

The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,  
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,  
Secretary.  
HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [8]

### To be Let.

TO LET.  
No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE, No. 4,  
OLD BAILEY STREET.

"KURRAHJEAN," No. 10, ALBANY ROAD.  
OFFICES in No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD  
CENTRAL.

Apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1882. [74]

TO LET.  
A LARGE GRANITE GODOWN, in "BLUE  
BUILDINGS," Praya East, with immediate  
possession.

Apply to  
J. M. GUEDES.  
33, WELLINGTON STREET.  
Hongkong, 19th January, 1882. [49]

### For Sale.

ECA DA SILVA AND CO.,  
QUEEN'S ROAD.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED  
EX FRENCH MAIL STEAMER "DJEMNAH,"  
MALAGA FRESH GRAPES, GENTLEMEN'S ready-  
made OVERCOATS, Embroidered and Fine White  
LACE, BALL HANDKERCHIEFS, Ladies' and Genti-  
lemen's Finest White LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS,  
White TRAINED SKIRTS for BALL DRESSES,  
White KID GLOVES, Embroidered and Fancy  
FANS.

Great Variety in ORIZA PERFUME TOILET  
REQUISITES, comprising—ORIZA NEW MOON  
HAY, ORIZA OPOFONAX BOUQUET, ORIZA  
WATER, ORIZA SCOTCH LAVENDER, ORIZA LYS,  
ORIZA ESS, HELIOTROPE.

&c., &c., &c.  
ORIZA POWDER, ORIZA DENTIFRICE, ORIZA  
SOAP, ORIZA HAIR OIL.

&c., &c., &c.  
ECA DA SILVA & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1881. [9]

FOR SALE.  
COCKBURN'S OLD PORT.  
GUEDES' LISSON OLD PORT, A VERY  
RARE WINE.

ST. MARCEAUX CHAMPAGNE, in PINTS and  
QUARTS.

L. T. PIVERS' SUPERIOR TOILET SOAP.  
F. D. GUEDES,  
33, WELLINGTON STREET.  
Hongkong, February 8, 1882. [100]

A FONG, PHOTOGRAPHER,  
HAS A LARGER COLLECTION OF VIEWS  
than any other in CHINA.

Miniatures Painted on Ivory from \$7.  
Oil Paintings on Canvas from \$5.  
Cartes de Visite, Cabinet, and all other styles  
of Portraits at equally moderate prices executed  
under the supervision and management of  
D. K. GRIFFITH,  
Studio 8, Queen's-road.  
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FOR SALE.  
AUSTRALIAN WINES, PORT & SHERRY,  
of the finest quality, from Coolata Vine-  
yard, Branton, Hunter River, N.S.W.  
Apply to  
R. FRASER-SMITH,  
No. 6, Peddar's Hill.  
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## For Sale.

### H. FOURNIER & CO.

HAVE FOR SALE, JUST RECEIVED EX  
"PERHO,"

A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF  
FANCY GOODS.

FANCY PLAYING CARDS.  
CRACKERS.  
BONBONS (Assorted).  
CHOCOLATE CREAM.  
CHOCOLATE MENIER.

FIGS.  
MALAGA RAISINS.  
TABLE PLUMS.

FRUITS IN JUICE (Assorted).  
CONFITURES DE ST. JAMES  
(in Bottles and Tins).  
SIRUPS (Assorted).

HUNTLY and PALMER'S BISCUITS.  
ALMONDS and NUTS.  
VANILLA.  
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

NOIX DE VEAU TRUFFEE (in Tins).  
COTELETTE DE VEAU (in Tins).  
VEAU ROTI (in Tins).  
RIS DE VEAU (in Tins).  
FRICANDEAU (Assorted).  
TRUFFES.

VEGETABLES (Assorted).  
ANCHOVIES in Oil.  
CAVIAR.

SARDINES in Lemon Juice.  
SARDINES in Tomatoes.  
SARDINES in Oil.

FRENCH and ENGLISH MUSTARD.  
SAUSAGES (Assorted).  
LYONS SAUSAGES.

FRENCH & SPANISH OLIVES.  
FRENCH ISIGNY BUTTER (in 1 and  
2 lbs. Tins).  
MACCARONI (Assorted) Paste for  
Soups, Letters, stars, &c.

TAPIOCA.  
FINE-GROUND MOCHA COFFEE.

CHEESE.  
GRUYERE.  
ROQUEFORT.  
DUTCH.  
CALIFORNIA.  
CREAM.

FRENCH TOBACCO AND  
CIGARETTES.

ASSORTED PERFUMERY  
FROM  
PINAUD and PIVERT OF PARIS.

A large quantity of  
FRENCH MINERAL WATERS  
in Pints of 100 bottles per Case.

CORK STOPPERS,  
for Soda and other Bottles.

CLARETS  
In Bottles and Wood.  
CHATEAU LAROSE.  
CHATEAU LAFFITTE.  
CHATEAU MARGAUX.  
ST. EMILION.  
MEDOC.

WINE S.

SAUTERNE.  
PORTO.  
SHERRY.  
MARSALA.

BRANDY.  
FRENCH COGNAC.

ABSINTHE.

LIQUEURS.  
CHARTREUSE (Pints and Quarts).  
BENEDICTINE (Pints and Quarts).  
MARASCHINO.  
CURACAO.

ANISETTE (Marie Brigid).  
ANGOSTURA BITTERS.

BOKER'S BITTERS.  
KIRSCHWASSER.  
PEPPERMINT.

VERMOUTH (Nolly Prat).  
VERMOUTH (Turino).

FANCY SILK UMBRELLAS.

And a VARIETY of OTHER GOODS.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1882. [17]

## Intimations.

### KELLY & WALSH

HAVE JUST RECEIVED, AND HAVE NOW FOR SALE,  
PRICE \$1.50.

THE NAUTICAL POCKET MANUAL FOR 1882,  
Containing List of Lights, Buoys, and Beacons on the Coast of China and Japan;  
Shanghai Tide Table, Customs Signals, and a mass information indispensable to  
Captains and Officers of Vessels trading between Hongkong,  
Shanghai, and the Northern Ports.

New Cabinet Photographs of Beauties, New Silk Woven Pictures, representing  
Sporting Scenes.

New Scraps for Screens and Scrap Books.  
New French Novels, including Daudet's "Numa Roumestan," and works by Hector  
Malot, Xavier de Montepin, &c.

VALENTINES. VALENTINES. VALENTINES. VALENTINES.  
KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG. [1]

### ROSE & CO.,

31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

GENERAL DRAPERY DEPARTMENT

LONG CLOTHS and FLANNELS.  
TABLES LINEN and IRISH LINENS. GENERAL HOUSEHOLD LINENS,  
SHEETINGS, BLANKETS, &c., &c.

FANCY DRESS AND SILK DEPARTMENTS.  
PLAIN and FANCY DRESS GOODS.  
COLOURED and BLACK SILKS.

FANCY BROCADED SILKS (PARISIAN).  
ALL WOOL SERGES, &c., &c., &c.  
SILK VELVETS and VELVETEENS.  
FASHIONABLE STRIPED SILK VELVETS.  
FASHIONABLE EMBOSSED SILK VELVETS.

FANCY LACE GOODS IN FISHES, COLLARETTES, AND SETS OF  
COLLARS and CUFFS.

Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, Real and Imitation Laces, Sunshades, Umbrellas, Corsets, Ladies'  
and Children's Boots and Shoes, Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing, Fancy Wool and Crewel  
Work, Fancy Goods, Chenille and Beaded Fringes, Spanish and Beaded Black Laces, Hosiery  
Gloves, &c., &c., &c.

ALSO, GENTLEMEN'S  
Shirts, Collars, Scarves, Handkerchiefs, Half Hose, Undershirts, Drawers, Solitaires and studs,  
and an indescribable number of Miscellaneous Goods.

Address—  
ROSE AND COMPANY,  
31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD.  
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### SAYLE & CO.

BEG TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY INTEND HAVING  
GREAT CLEARANCE SALE  
DURING  
THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY.

ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES AT REDUCED PRICES.  
TOYS WILL BE SOLD AT HALF-PRICE.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.  
Hongkong, January 30th, 1882. [79]

### T. N. DRISCOLL,

TAILOR, HOSIER, HATTER, AND GENERAL OUTFITTER.  
No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

By Special Appointment to H.E. the GOVERNOR of HONGKONG  
and to  
H.H. the GRAND DUKE ALEXIS of RUSSIA.

IS NOW SHOWING, EX "GLENROY,"  
A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF BLACK and BLUE FRENCH COATINGS.  
A CHOICE LOT of SUITINGS and TROWSERINGS, in FRENCH,  
WEST of ENGLAND, Scotch, Cheviot, and Saxony TWEEDS.

WHITE CASSIMERES, for RACING BREECHES.  
BEDFORD and WORSTED CORDS. LIGHT MELTONS, for OVERCOATS.  
DRAB SHELL and BLACK SILK HATS. BLACK and DRAB FELT HATS.  
RACING SCARVES, &c., &c., &c. [14]

### ED. CHASTEL & CO.,

WINE MERCHANTS,  
MARINE HOUSE, 15, QUEEN'S ROAD.

HAVE for sale, ex recent arrivals, Light Breakfast CLARETS in Quarts and Pints. After Dinner  
CLARETS in Quarts and Pints.  
CHATEAU LAFITE, MARGAUX, LAROSE, LEOVILLE CLOS DE  
MAURIN, &c., &c.

De St. MARCEAUX & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE in Quarts, Pints and Half-Pints.  
CLARET in WOOD.

CHARTREUSE, CURACAO, MARASCHINO.  
PRICE LIST ON APPLICATION. [27]

### STAG HOTEL.

QUEEN'S-ROAD CENTRAL.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS,  
ENGLISH & AMERICAN BILLIARDS.  
Tiffin at One o'clock, Dinner at 7.30.

This Hotel is most centrally situated and  
within easy distance of the principal landing  
places. [12]

J. COOK, Proprietor.

### C. L. THEVENIN

COMMISSION AGENT,  
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANT.  
CHAMPAGNE, BURGUNDIES, COG-  
NACS, SHERRIES, LIQUEURS/  
WHISKY, &c., &c.

FRENCH BOOTS AND SHOES,  
FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.  
HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDING. [26]

WILLIAM SCHMIDT & CO.  
GUNMAKERS AND AMUNITION  
DEALERS.  
BEAUFIELD ARCADE  
Arms, Ammunitions, and Requisites of  
every description.  
Arms Repaired, Cleaned, or Converted at  
moderate charges.  
Sporting Guns and Ammunition always  
on hand. [28]

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG FLOWER SHOW.

THE TENTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION  
will be held in the BOTANIC GARDENS  
THIS DAY, the 15th February.

A POULTRY SHOW will be held in connection  
with FLOWER SHOW.

The Gates will be opened at Two P.M.  
ADMISSION—Second Day, 20 Cents.  
Tickets may be obtained from Messrs. LANE,  
CHAMFORD & Co., or Payment may be made at  
the Gates.

CHARLES FORD,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [80]

### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF  
SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of  
the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on  
WEDNESDAY, 1st March, 1882, at THREE P.M.,  
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the  
Directors and a Statement of Accounts to 31st  
December, 1881.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be  
CLOSED from the 15th instant to the 1st prox.  
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
R. COOKE,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1882. [111]

### NOTICE.

TENDERS are INVITED for the PUR-  
CHASE of 142 HONGKONG HOTEL  
SHARES, the Property of the HONGKONG HOTEL  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

Applications to be sent to the Undersigned  
until ONE O'CLOCK P.M. on the 28th February,  
1882.

Offers under Par will not be entertained.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,  
Secretary of the Hongkong Hotel  
Company, Limited.  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1882. [103]

### THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEET-  
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-  
pany will be held at the Office of the Company,  
No. 7, Queen's Road, at Half-past THREE  
O'CLOCK, in the Afternoon of TUESDAY, the  
28th February instant, to receive a statement of  
Accounts to the 31st December, 1881, the Report  
of the General Managers, and to Elect a Consult-  
ing Committee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1882. [101]

### THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM- PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF  
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be  
held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road,  
Victoria, at THREE O'CLOCK in the Afternoon of  
WEDNESDAY, the 22nd February instant, for  
the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts  
and the Report of the Directors for the year end-  
ing 31st December, 1881.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 22nd inst.,  
both days inclusive.

By Order,  
A. G. STOKES,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, 4th February, 1882. [90]

### THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

From THIS DATE, and during the absence of  
Mr. J. BRADLEE SMITH, Mr. D. McLARIN  
will act as Secretary.

W. REINERS,  
Chairman, Board of Directors.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [85]

### TRAMWAYS.

A BARGAIN—JUST RECEIVED

CLARKE'S "TRAMWAYS"—their Construc-  
tion and Working. "SCHOURY'S Esti-  
mating—26 Detailed Plans and Estimates of  
various Structures of Brick, Stone, Wood, and  
Iron, with Building Data," and other useful  
information, from Indian practice. "VINCENT'S  
Steam Tramway's for India." THE LOT, \$11.

KELLY & WALSH,  
Queen's Road.  
Hongkong, 10th January, 1882. [42]

### THE PATENT TYPE FOUNDRY COMPANY.

31, RED LION SQUARE, HOLBORN, W.C.,  
LONDON.

SHANKS, REVELL, & Co.,  
PROPRIETORS,  
NEWSPAPER, BOOK, MUSIC, & GENERAL  
TYPE FOUNDRERS.

Sole Proprietors of JOHNSON and ATKINSON'S  
Automatic Machinery for Casting and Finishing  
Printing Type, and Manufacturers of JOHNSON'S  
Patent Hard Metal, patented April 5th, 1854.

Estimates for Newspaper, Book, and Jobbing  
Plant at specially reduced rates.

All kinds of Printing Machines, Presses, Paper,  
and everything connected with Printing Business  
supplied on most reasonable terms.

SPECIAL AGENT FOR CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE  
FAR EAST,  
ROBERT FRASER-SMITH,  
No. 6, PEDDAR'S HILL, HONGKONG.  
Hongkong, 4th February, 1882. [88]

## Shipping.

### FOR MANILA DIRECT.

THE Spanish Steamer  
EMUY,  
Captain Otazur, will be despatched for the above  
Port, TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at Four  
P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
REMEDIOS & Co.  
Hongkong, 11th February, 1882. [108]

### UNION LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship  
EUPHRATES,  
Captain Mitchell, due on or about the 12th inst.,  
will have immediate despatch for the above  
Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1882. [104]

### UNION LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship  
OXFORDSHIRE,  
Captain Jones, shortly due, will have immediate  
despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 10th February, 1882. [106]

### FOR SINGAPORE.

THE British Bark  
JAVA PACKET,  
A. Hanson, Master, will load here for the above  
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1882. [93]

### FOR PORTLAND (OREGON.)

THE 3/3 L.I. American ship  
IMPORTER,  
Allene, Master, will load here for the above  
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1882. [95]

### FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.)

THE 3/3 L.I. American ship  
ADAM M. SIMPSON,  
Call, Master, will load here for the above Port,  
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1882. [95]

### FOR VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.

THE A1 American ship  
BLUE JACKET,  
Percival, Master, will load here for the above  
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [56]

### FOR VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.

THE A1 American ship  
SIREN,  
Brown, Master, will load here for the above  
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [57]

### FOR VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.

THE A1 American ship  
W. J. ROTCH,  
Bray, Master, will load here for the above Port,  
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [58]

### FOR VICTORIA, VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.

THE American Ship  
SUMATRA,  
Rock, Master, will load here for the above Port,  
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1882. [110]

### FOR NEW YORK.

THE A1 American bark  
PEARL,  
R. Howes, Master, will load here for the above  
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [60]

### FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A 11. American ship  
TWILIGHT,  
Warland, Master, will load here for the above  
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [61]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. American Ship  
ONEIDA,  
Carver, Master, will load here for the above Port,  
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, Apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1



## Intimations.

NOW IN THE PRESS AND SHORTLY  
TO BE PUBLISHED.



(BY AUTHORITY.)

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND  
HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST.  
A NEW DIRECTORY FOR CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE  
PHILIPPINES, FOR THE YEAR 1882.  
PRICE TWO DOLLARS.

The above work will shortly be published at  
the office of this Paper, and will contain a Directory  
for the Ports in the large portion of Asia  
comprised between Penang, in the Straits Settlements,  
and the Northern Ports, including Formosa;  
the Treaty Ports of China and Japan; the  
Philippine Islands; the British Colony of  
Hongkong; and the Portuguese Colony of Macao.  
The work will also contain the Principal Treaties  
between European countries and the United  
States and the countries East of the Straits,  
together with conditions of Trade, and the Port,  
Customs, Consular, and Harbour Regulations for  
the Ports of China and Japan; and a description  
of the Ports, with the latest Trade Statistics  
taken from the Reports of the Imperial Maritime  
Customs and other reliable sources.

The various Governments and Municipal Cor-  
porations have been applied to for information,  
and all Public Bodies and Companies, Bankers,  
Merchants, Consuls, and Professional and other  
Residents, have supplied the necessary matter  
to ensure correctness upon forms sent for that  
purpose. The Naval and Military portions have  
been taken from the latest published official lists  
and revised at Headquarters; in fact no pains  
have been spared to make "THE HONGKONG  
DIRECTORY AND HONG LIST FOR THE FAR EAST"  
a perfectly reliable *volume*.

"THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY AND HONG  
LIST FOR THE FAR EAST" will, in order that it  
may circulate extensively outside this Colony,  
be published at a POPULAR PRICE, and can be  
ordered at this Office for

TWO DOLLARS.

There is not space in the compass of an ordi-  
nary advertisement to detail all the information  
introduced into the work, but it may be fairly  
asserted that no such Directory has ever been  
published, either in Hongkong, or any other part  
of the East, at the price.

"Telegraph" Office, Hongkong.

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY  
WILL CONTAIN  
THE TREATIES WITH CHINA,  
JAPAN, & SIAM.  
OFFICE, 6, PEDDAR'S HILL.

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY  
WILL CONTAIN  
A DESCRIPTION OF ALL THE  
TREATY PORTS IN CHINA AND  
JAPAN.  
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WILL CONTAIN  
TRADE STATISTICS FROM  
OFFICIAL SOURCES.  
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WILL CONTAIN  
LISTS OF MILITARY OFFICERS  
serving in the China Command,  
which has been revised at Headquarters.  
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THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY  
WILL CONTAIN  
THE NAMES OF THE NAVAL  
OFFICERS ON THE CHINA  
STATION.  
Including the most recent appointments  
and local changes, corrected at  
Head-Quarters.  
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HAS BEEN  
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THE LARGEST LIST OF FOREIGN  
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## The Hongkong Telegraph

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REVIEWING the General Annual Return of  
the British Army for the year 1880, the  
*Daily News* says it contains many impor-  
tant facts somewhat at variance with the  
sharp tone of criticism to which the  
rank and file have recently been subjected.  
The total average effective strength of  
the Regular Army during the year was  
188,986, composed as follows:—Cavalry,  
17,516; Horse Artillery, 5,614; Artillery,  
18,029; Engineers, 5,551; Infantry,  
132,276. These figures of course exclude  
the Militia and other auxiliary and reserve  
forces, amounting to 388,427; concerning  
which the Annual Return gives no details  
as to physical condition. Those of the  
Regular Army are exceedingly interesting  
when taken in connection with the accusa-  
tions made against our youthful soldiers as  
undergrown boys unequal to the trials of a  
campaign. Perhaps it may be better in such  
a matter to set aside the recorded age of  
the rank and file as an uncertain basis for  
argument, and confine all observations to  
the returns of height and chest measure-  
ments just issued. So much care is taken  
in picking out active and spirited young  
men for Cavalry regiments that perhaps  
it may be well to dismiss them as well as  
the Artillery, Engineers, and Foot Guards  
from the calculation. Infantry of the Line  
has been called the backbone of an army,  
and it is therefore worth while to look  
closely at the condition of our linesmen.

Of the 114,861 non-commissioned officers  
and men included in the returns of last  
year very few exceed six feet in  
height, and only a few over eight  
thousand exceed five feet ten inches.  
Sons of ANAK are therefore rare in the  
family of "THOMAS ATKINS;" but, on the  
other hand, the dwarfs and children of  
whom we have heard so much are almost  
as few in number. Not five thousand men  
of the infantry of the line pass under the  
five-foot-five standard, and only eighteen  
thousand range between five feet five and six  
inches. The great majority, consisting of  
eighty thousand men, or considerably more  
than two-thirds of the non-commissioned  
officers, rank and file of the line regiments,  
are between the heights of five feet six and  
five feet ten, undoubtedly the most service-  
able size for infantry intended for rough  
work all over the world. Of these eighty  
thousand, thirty are between five feet six  
and seven; twenty-five are an inch taller; six-  
teen are an inch taller yet; and nine between  
five feet nine and ten inches in height. The  
tale told by chest measurement is equally  
reassuring as to the physical condition of  
our soldiers. Only about two thousand  
measure less than thirty-three and not  
quite four thousand under thirty-four inches  
round the chest, while between nine and  
ten thousand exceed thirty-nine inches. Of  
the intervening measurement, that is, from  
thirty-four to thirty-nine, the number of  
linesmen is no less than ninety-seven thou-  
sand, apparently a proof that the Line, or as  
they are now called "Territorial Regi-  
ments," have not deteriorated to the extent  
imagined by those fond of the "dieworn"  
cry that "the service is going to the dogs."

Satisfactory as the physical condition of the  
English army appears to be, it is said, in  
some quarters that there is less reason to

congratulate ourselves as to its mental  
tone. Opinions are still widely divergent  
as to the wisdom of the territorial idea,  
and the abolition of time-honoured badges  
and numbers. To deal first with the terri-  
torial idea it may be remarked that there  
is a considerable body of professional  
opinion as to its fallaciousness. But pro-  
fessional opinion usually objects to in-  
novation, and its hostility is by no means  
conclusive against any scheme of reform.  
The idea was that it would encourage men to  
serve first in the Militia battalions, and ulti-  
mately in the Regular Army, became they  
would find themselves among their friends  
and relatives of the same country. This, how-  
ever is not the view of Captain PLUM and  
Sergeant KITE. But although these authori-  
ties are good witnesses as to what the army  
is, their opinion is not of much value as to  
what it may be and ought to be made.

The English army as at present consti-  
tuted, and as it has been constituted for the  
last two hundred years, has not exactly  
been filled by the young men who are  
described as "their father's pride, their  
mother's joy." Our rank and file has been  
drawn from the youngsters to whose aspir-  
ing minds a life at the plough-tail with a  
wife and six children to keep on thirteen  
shillings a week throughout their prime,  
and an old age of workhouse relief, has not  
appeared an enticing career. "THOMAS  
ATKINS," in his unregenerate, undrilled  
condition may have been overmuch ad-  
dicted to beer when it was to be had easily,  
to "eatun" bread and cheese and swing-  
gun on a glatte, and to other rural exer-  
cises, including the singing of "Vorit's my  
delight av a shoynight," and the practical  
illustration of the doctrines of that  
famous coaching song; and also to sporting  
"with AMARYLLIS in the shade" and being  
impertinently familiar with NEERA's chig-  
non. This is the type of which recruits have  
hitherto been made. But it does not follow  
that for the future the army must depend  
on material of this kind. In a certain sense  
these men make excellent soldiers. But  
their want of educated intelligence and of  
steadfast character is the weak point of the  
British army. We concede to Captain  
PLUM that it is not a territorial regiment  
full of men who know all about him and  
his that is joined by the young man who  
has made his village rather too hot to hold  
him, or is wildly attempting to escape from  
AMARYLLIS or NEERA. He goes to the  
nearest country town and enlists there in a  
regiment not known in his village. But  
we do not want an army of rustic scape-  
graces and ne'er-do-weels, and the terri-  
torial system is, an attempt to introduce a  
change for the better in this respect, which  
will, we hope, before long prove successful.

A more sentimental objection, not so  
much to the territorial system as to the  
nomenclature associated with it, is perhaps  
better founded. The numbers borne on  
many a battle-field had become part of the  
regiment. Soldiers are no more pleased to  
lose the number of their regiment than the  
Colleges of Oxford and Cambridge would  
be to lose their ancient designations and be  
reduced to an alphabetic or numeral sign.  
It is also urged, and with some justice,  
that the territorial system of nomenclature  
is not new, but a simple return to the old  
French system, before the victorious tri-  
colour was adopted, of naming regiments  
according to the province in which they  
were raised, as "Royal Champois,"  
"Auvergne," and so forth. Another awk-  
wardness has arisen which may be easily  
noted by anybody who looks at an Army  
List. The converted or amalgamated re-  
giments bear their ancient number between  
brackets, just as a re-named racer, or  
steepchaser must wear his old title until  
every one is assured of his identity. At such  
a juncture it would not be amiss if some more  
comprehensive scheme than has yet been  
undertaken should be prepared for the  
preservation of Regimental Records. The  
deeds of the Grenadier Guards, of a few  
cavalry regiments, and of the Royal Marines  
have been chronicled by loving hands, and  
several line regiments have been also sup-  
plied with a record. But many of them are  
of the "Cannon" series, and were written  
many years ago, long before the Crimean  
War and the War of the Indian Mutiny.  
Now that distinguished regiments are welded  
together, it would be a work of national  
importance to arrange their record in order  
that the mark made by each on the roll of  
fame may not become dim. Such a work  
should be in the hands not only of every  
officer, but of every soldier, to keep alive  
that professional pride and emulation with-  
out which the career of a soldier, however  
physically perfect he may be, is apt to de-  
generate into a life of soulless routine.

A new type-writing machine has been patented  
by E. Recordon, of Paris, in which the actuating  
keys, together with the type-levers, are arranged  
in the form of a fan in such a manner that the  
operator can see what he is writing. The paper  
is carried in a vertical frame, and when the line  
of writing is finished, the frame carrying the  
paper moves back and passes automatically to  
the following line. Several copies can be simul-  
taneously obtained by inserting sheets of carbon  
paper between the writing paper.

It is recorded that a gentleman residing in one  
of the large towns of England, whose face exceed  
the usual dimensions, was waited on by a barber  
every day for twenty-one years, without coming  
to a settlement. The barber thinking "it about  
time to settle," presented his bill, in which he  
charged a penny per day—amounting in all to  
£31 18s. 9d. The gentleman, supposing too much  
charged, refused to pay the amount; but agreed  
to a proposal of the barber, to pay at the rate of  
£200 an acre. The "premises" were accordingly  
measured, and the result was that the shaving  
bill was increased to £78 8s. 8d.

REFERRING to the exclusion of reporters at the  
meetings of the Shanghai Municipal Council, the  
*Hong Kong News* says:—In one respect at all events  
Shanghai falls short of what a Model settlement  
should be. From one of the local papers we no-  
tice that the Municipal Council of Shanghai con-  
ducts its deliberations in secret. Reporters are  
strictly prohibited—perhaps the members are  
afraid their speeches would be reported verbatim  
which might indeed lead to unpleasant discus-  
sions—and when a few memoranda, locally styled  
minutes, are supplied to the newspapers, the  
Council has done all that it thinks necessary to  
give publicity to the proceedings. Very likely  
everything the Shanghai Council does is the very  
best possible under the circumstances, and there  
are no jobs or shady transactions going on which  
a little more light would prevent, but at the same  
time we think it probable the rate-payers would  
feel better satisfied if reporters were freely admit-  
ted, and the universal custom elsewhere follow-  
ed. If there is nothing to hide, there can be no  
adequate reason for concealment.

THE Portuguese Cortes were opened, on January  
2, by the King. In the speech from the Throne,  
His Majesty stated that his relations with foreign  
Powers were good. The King next alluded to  
the sympathetic reception he had met with at  
Caceres from the Sovereign, and citizens of the  
noble country of Spain, a reception the recollec-  
tion of which he would always cherish in his  
memory. In a few days he hoped to have the  
satisfaction of seeing their Catholic Majesties, the  
King and Queen of Spain, in his capital. This  
interchange of visits would serve to knit ever  
closer and closer the good relations existing be-  
tween two friendly, independent, and free coun-  
tries. Public tranquillity, His Majesty continued  
had been maintained. His enthusiastic recep-  
tion by the people during his journey in the north  
with the Queen and the Royal Princes proved  
their profound attachment to the monarch. After  
expressing the hope that the treaty of com-  
merce concluded with France would meet the  
approbation of the Cortes, the King went on to  
announce that fresh measures for developing  
primary and secondary education, for improving  
the army and navy, and for constructing railways  
and roads were in contemplation. The Govern-  
ment would submit financial proposals, with the  
object of establishing a balance between the  
revenue and expenditure of the country in such a  
manner as to cause the least possible sacrifice to  
the taxpayer. The Berlin *Tagblatt* publishes a  
rumour of the dismissal of servants from the  
Royal household on suspicion of being connected  
with a design to poison the King, which was  
happily foiled.

THE *Straits Times* gives an account of a recent  
test of Dr. Denny's invention for the prevention  
of fouling on ship's bottoms—shipowners and  
others will be interested in the result of a trial of  
various patent paints on the hull of the steam-  
ship *Cleator*, which was undertaken to test the  
merit of the different anti-fouling compositions  
with which she was coated. The *Cleator* is an  
iron vessel of 317 tons, and plies between  
Singapore, Luban, and Bunei, occasionally  
proceeding to Sandakan, all these being salt  
water ports. In the month of August last, the  
hull of the *Cleator* was coated in the New  
Harbour Dock with four anti-fouling com-  
positions, and was put out of dock on the  
22nd of that month. The whole of the port  
side of the vessel was coated with Rathjin's com-  
position except one plate, which was coated with  
Zeremy's patent paint; the after half of the star-  
board side was coated with Denny's composi-  
tion, and the forward half of it with Peacock's  
composition except one plate, which was coated  
with Zeremy's patent paint. After an interval  
of over five months, the vessel was docked at  
Tanjong Pagar on the 27th January, and was  
carefully examined by the Dock authorities  
and other gentlemen. The two plates coated  
with Zeremy's patent paint were found to be  
very foul and rusty, and when scraped  
the traces of injury to the iron plates were  
quite perceptible. The side of the vessel coated  
with Rathjin's patent composition was thinly  
covered with short grass and small shells.  
The portion coated with Peacock's patent paint  
was covered with grass, and barnacles and  
shells had adhered. A small patch where the  
paint had been rubbed off, apparently from  
the vessel having passed over and touched a  
stake, was rusty. The part coated with Denny's  
Patent Anti-fouling Composition showed some  
slight traces of green slime at intervals on  
the light draught water line, and two spots,  
about three or four inches square, where the  
paint had been rubbed off in going alongside  
the wharf at Labuan, were rusty. Elsewhere  
the paint was perfectly clean, and there were  
no traces whatever of barnacles or shells. The  
patches where the two paints were rubbed off  
were carefully examined, and they were all found  
to be pitted. The pitting was deeper where  
Denny's composition was used, but it is only fair  
to say that after a careful examination it seemed  
quite clear that the patch of Peacock's composi-  
tion had been much more recently rubbed off  
than the two patches of Denny's. It was evi-  
dent that the pitting was not attributable to the  
action of either Denny's or Peacock's paint, but  
simply to the usual action of salt water on iron.

The owner of the *Cleator* was so satis-  
fied as to the superiority of Denny's composition  
over the others tested, that he has now had the  
hull of the *Cleator* entirely coated with Denny's  
anti-fouling composition.

TELEGRAMS for Hongkong can go forward by mail  
closing at Singapore at 3 p.m. on Friday the 17th  
instant.

THE visitors to the City Hall museum for the  
week ending 12th February were:—European,  
232; Chinese, 2,591; total, 2,823.

FIFTY Cities and Towns in the United States are  
now using water gas, which is likely, says an  
American paper, soon to supersede the use of  
ordinary coal gas for lighting purposes.

THE Japanese steamer *Sumida Maru* was  
towed round from Aberdeen Dock this morning,  
and the steamer *Hongkong* undocked at Kow-  
loon Dock and the *China* docked in her place.

THE wreck of the German steamer *Quinta*,  
which was submitted to auction by Mr. Rapp  
to-day, fetched, \$705; the cargo, \$6; both being  
bought by a Chinaman. At the last auction,  
when the lot was bought in, the highest bid  
was \$375.

FOUR Government engines, two steam, and two  
manual are still operating on the smouldering  
mass of rubbish in the godowns on Praya East.  
Some progress has been made towards a clear-  
ance of that portion of the burnt effects which  
has become cool enough to deal with, and boats  
have been employed removing the debris, but it  
will take some days yet to clear it all out, and  
until that is accomplished the services of the en-  
gines are likely to be required. A large quan-  
tity of cases of matches and some cases of  
cannophor have been recovered from the rubbish-  
part in good condition, and part more or less  
damaged; also some cases of brandy which,  
however, were found to be nearly all broken and  
destroyed.

THE *Iron Duke*, 14, Captain Richard E. Tracey  
(flag-ship of Vice-Admiral Geo. O. Willes, C.B.),  
which went outside for a cruise last week and  
for target-practice, was at anchor on Monday in  
Tytan Bay. Two officers from the ship walked  
from Tytan to Hongkong, on the afternoon of  
that day, and applied on board the Commodore's  
ship for a pilot, it being the intention to take the  
*Iron Duke* up the Canton river as far as the  
Bogue Forts and anchor there for about ten  
days; but when the regulation ammunition had  
been expended and the trip up the river was  
thought about, it was discovered that there was  
no pilot on board; so the ship was brought into  
Tytan Bay and the anchor let go, and a pilot  
sent for as above stated.

ABOUT a month ago while two European, Hong-  
kong residents it is supposed, were out shooting  
near the village of Tai-po-hu, up Miao Bay, one  
of them, in firing at something, accidentally  
wounded a Chinaman, who at the moment  
happened to emerge from behind some cover,  
receiving sundry buck-shot in one of his legs.  
The wounds were not of a serious nature, as  
the Chinaman was able to walk to the village, some  
distance off. The villagers, however it appears,  
made considerable noise over the matter,  
threatening the two sportsmen. An amicable  
arrangement was eventually arrived at, by which  
the foreigners were to take the wounded man to  
Hongkong to be cured, they also paying some  
money by way of compensation for the injuries  
inflicted.

THE troopship *Tyne*, Commander J. Stokes,  
R.N., arrived in harbour about 11.30 this fore-  
noon, bringing from the Straits Settlements, the left  
wing of the 2nd battalion East Kent Regiment  
(styled the 2nd battalion 3rd Buffs previous to  
M. E. Childer's army territorial re-organization  
scheme coming into operation), together with  
detachments from Home of the Royal Engineers,  
Royal Artillery and Army Hospital Corps. The  
left wing of the 2nd battalion Buffs is under the  
Command of Lieut.-Colonel Hobson, and numbers  
9 officers, 391 non-commissioned officers and men,  
11 women, and 17 children, which, for the present,  
will be distributed in Wellington, McGregor's, and the North Barracks. The strength of the other detachments is as fol-  
low:—Royal Engineers, 3 rank and file; Royal  
Artillery 1 officer, 1 sergeant, 20 rank and file,  
1 woman and 3 children; Army Hospital Corps 3  
rank and file and 1 woman. The troops were to  
be disembarked at 2 o'clock this afternoon. A  
wing of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers will  
leave in a few days for the Straits, and upon its  
arrival there, the other wing of the Buffs will come  
on here. The 2nd battalion East Kents, we  
understand, was through the whole of the Zulu  
war, but had the good fortune to lose but few men  
in that disastrous campaign. The *Tyne* left  
England on the 23rd December last, 54 days  
having been occupied in the passage including  
stoppages.

## RACING GOSSIP.

For many years past the Hongkong Race  
Meeting has always been inaugurated with the  
Wong-nai-chong stakes, a favourite half mile spin  
which has invariably led to a lot of excitement,  
and generally to an excellent race. On the pre-  
sent occasion, although the entries are scarcely so  
numerous as in previous years, and only six op-  
posing stables are represented, the high class of the  
probable competitors promise a more than usually  
interesting struggle. The value of the Wong-  
nai-chong stakes this year will amount to \$150,  
there being 15 entries at five dollars each, the  
Race Fund adding to the sweepstakes the sum  
of \$75. In reviewing the prospects of the various  
candidates it will of course be understood that I  
do not pretend to be in any way acquainted  
with the intentions of owners, and if I were I  
should certainly not feel justified in betraying  
such confidences. Taking public form as my  
guide, and relying on the training operations I  
have personally witnessed during the past two  
months, I shall endeavour to give a correct de-  
scription of the various ponies, and to place my  
own ideas of their respective chances for  
the various races.

In the entries for the Wong-nai-chong, the dual  
winner Strathpeffer claims the first consideration.  
Ridden by Mr. Bidwell in 1880, this speedy pony

won with the utmost ease from Black satin, Wild  
saw, Fluke, Heather Bell, Wild Boer, and Cum-  
shaw; repeating the victory with Mr. Lewis in  
the saddle a year ago, second Violin, Redstart,  
Wild Echo, and Financier being in the beaten  
lot. This last race, which was won by a short  
head on the post, was one of the fastest record-  
ed in Hongkong, the official time being given as  
59 1-5th seconds. It will be remembered how  
handsomely Strathpeffer won the Professional  
Cup, beating Tajmahal, Redstart, and second  
Violin after a brilliant contest, and how in the  
Keechong Cup he only succumbed to the  
mighty Tajmahal after a desperate struggle.

Since the races by Mr. Risk, who was leaving  
for England, Strathpeffer summured in Amoy,  
and returned to the scene of his many triumphs  
in excellent condition. The pony has had a long  
and careful preparation, appears sound in wind  
and limb, shows outward signs of good condition,  
gallops with all his old dash and resolution, and  
will be steered by one of the most accomplished  
jockeys in China, so that it requires no great  
power of prophecy to foretell that, wherever the  
winner of the Wong-nai-chong may be, Strathpeffer  
is sure to be "kicking around." Mr. Grammont  
has also entered the old hero of a hundred fights,  
the game Strathavon. Although this fine old  
racer won his maiden race in Shanghai in 1.30,  
the fastest on record, he was never at his best  
over a half mile course, and suffered an easy  
defeat from Ilo in this identical race three years  
ago. Without going into Strathavon's per-  
formances, which we will have an opportunity of  
reviewing by and bye, we may at once express  
our belief that the old pony lacks the lightning  
dash of speed requisite for a sprint race, so his  
chance must be ignored. Detonator, one of last  
year's subscription griffins, will be out-classed.  
Mr. Gordon has a powerful team to represent his  
interests, First Comet, East Wind, second Violin,  
Gang Forward, and Dauntless all having reputa-  
tions for possessing great speed. First Comet is  
undoubtedly one of the finest racing ponies ever  
seen in China, and to his undecidable looks and  
gift of going he can boast of credentials of a very  
high order. First Comet is a dun with black  
points, and may be readily recognised by a  
white mark on his face. On his first appearance  
in public last May, ridden by Mr. O. Brandt,  
First Comet won the Shanghai Griffins over a  
dead course in 1.30, and at the Autumn  
Meeting he set the seal on his fame  
by winning the Critterons from the invincible  
Prejudice, in the wonderful time for a mile of  
2.48. There can be no question that First Comet  
possesses the requisite speed to win over half a  
mile in the best of company; but it must not be  
forgotten that half mile races are proverbially  
fluky, besides a big pony like the Critterons win-  
ner is at a great disadvantage in a contest of this  
description, being a slow beginner, and a long  
stiff animal, so that handy ponies like Strath-  
peffer and shamrock are almost certain to get  
away lightly in front before the big pony  
gets fairly under weigh. So much depends upon  
the start in such a short race, that even on his  
very best form First Comet is not the absolute  
certainly the bidding at the race lotteries would  
appear to indicate. East Wind is a model of  
strength and shapeliness, and his past form is  
sufficiently good to give him a chance here  
should he be sent to the post. At the Shanghai  
Spring Meeting last year East Wind won  
the Taotai's Cup in a common canter over  
one mile, carrying 12st. on a heavy course  
in 2.8, beating second Violin, Jolly Friar,  
and two others—a performance we believe  
without parallel in the annals of racing in China.  
But for an unfortunate strain in this race, we  
believe that East Wind would have beaten  
Prejudice in the Champions. At the Autumn  
Meeting the handsome brown won the Racing  
Stakes from Red Robin, Strathaird, and Tajmahal,  
but the victory was rather a lucky one, through  
the last named swerving when leading several  
lengths, and in subsequent races Mr. Tella's  
cast off, failed to show anything approaching  
high class form. Second Violin's form is too  
well known to require detailed description.  
How the speedy bay lost this race last year  
by an error of judgment on the part of Mr.  
Brandt is a matter of turf history, whilst his  
gallant victories in the *Garrison Cup*, *Bankers'  
Plate*, *Ladies Purse* (carrying 12st. 7lbs.) and  
*Mafoos' Race*, stamp him as a racer of very  
nearly the highest class. Second Violin, being  
a slow beginner, is hardly at home over a  
short course like this, but as he possesses a  
rare turn of speed he is certain to give the winner  
a deal of trouble. Mr. Gordon's old hack Daunt-  
less was a speedy racer in his best, and even  
now he can get over the ground in good style.  
It is, however, useless thinking of infirm ponies  
when meeting such a high class field as this will  
be. Dauntless if he comes to the post, free from  
lameness will run well, and may possibly effect  
the surprise of the race; however, it will be safer  
to trust to sounder cattle. Gang Forward is  
probably the fastest pony in China, and if he  
could be depended upon to do his best, I should  
look no further for the winner. How he lost the  
Maiden Plate at the last Shanghai Meeting through  
cutting it when the pinch came, and refusing to face  
the crowd is well known, and as he has developed  
the same roguish propensities during training  
here he had much better be left alone. Should  
Gang Forward take it into his head to do his  
best, I think he would win by many lengths.

The "blue and silver" banner of Mr. St. Andrew  
will probably be borne by the dark grey Iniquity,  
winner of the Bankers' Plate at Amoy. This is  
a shapely nag, with a good turn of speed, and as  
his connections are sweet on his prospects he  
must not be despised. Sportsman, the very  
handsome griffin in the same stable, is a  
probable absentee, as he will no doubt be  
held in reserve for the Derby and other griffin  
races. Too-too is a speedy pony, and a first rate  
goer. His good turn to Rose and Gang Forward  
in the Shanghai Maidens was high class form,  
and he has distinguished himself by his  
stand stakes at Fochow after a dead heat  
with Strathaird. Too-too has recently been  
slightly amiss, but we understand he is all right  
again, and think he has a fair show for the  
Wong-nai-chong. Of Mr. Paul's quartette,



# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

## HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S SHOW.

The tenth annual exhibition of the Hongkong Horticultural Society has come and gone, and we must describe it as a qualified success. There is necessarily a great degree of sameness in these gatherings and the Committee must have often been at their wits' end to provide fresh attractions, when people have begun to tire of meeting the same acquaintances year after year, perhaps a little bigger, perhaps a little seedier, but still in the guise of old friends. The addition of a Poultry Show was a happy thought, and from the start that has been made, we may hope for a much livelier time of it next year. Mr. Johnson, Mr. Maclean, and Mr. Vernon seemed to divide the honors in the feathered kingdom, but we should have liked to see Chinese entering in these classes, and hope it will come in time, as the one aim of such shows is to encourage a survival of the fittest, which in the long run cannot fail to affect the quality of the meat sent to market.

In the Plant department, it struck us, we had seen some of the Prize Winners figuring under another name in previous years, and suppose Mr. Dickie left his plants a legacy to the Lady of the "East Point Mansion" on his departure last year. We have seen better annuals than this year's, although pansies in abundance made amends for other shortcomings. Vegetables grown plants are an innovation, and if those to which Prizes were awarded are to be accepted as a forecast of what is to come, the show would perhaps be better without them. The Foliage Plants made up in bulk for what they wanted in class, and this is all the praise we can award them. It is true they were not placed to show off to the best advantage. The Flowering Plants were good, but if the Daphne, one of three to which the second prize was awarded, appears next year, it will be more worthy of a prize than now. The Camellias shown by Mr. Woodin were perhaps the very handsomest plants ever seen in Hongkong, but this is owing rather to good luck than good management, as such profusion of bloom is never seen a second season here. Geraniums were not equal to last year's, although here and there some handsome plants could be noticed. The display of chrysanthemums was particularly good, but some exhibitors spoilt their chances by disregarding the rule that forbids more than one plant to be grown in a pot; by training several stems an effective display may be obtained, but it is at the expense of bloom. The asters were also good, and we particularly commend the plants raised from English seed by Mr. Romano and Mr. Woodin. Roses, poor as usual. There were not many Anacards to be seen, but those to which first prize were awarded deserved it. The love of ferns seems to extend, and we can conceive nothing prettier than the graceful fronds of the Adiantum, of which many kinds were shown. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Romano were the prize takers, but we were glad to notice numerous young specimens that in a year or two will make old exhibitors look to their laurels. The cut flowers were mostly good, but the Table Decorations showed some falling off with former years. We must not omit to notice some magnificent Hyacinths shown by Mr. Vaucher, and the display of the Chinese New Year's Flower, the Narcissus, was very effective.

In Vegetables we had a fine collection, although both exhibitors and judges seemed sometimes to forget that this is not a stock raising country, and that it is Table-Vegetables we stand in need of, rather than food for cattle. In six kinds of Vegetables we do not go altogether with the judges, as we think more consideration should have been given to schedule value of the different kinds of vegetables, and we do not rank either Celery, Tomatoes, or Beet as equal to Cabbages and Cauliflowers, Carrots and Turnips, Peas and Potatoes. We consider No. 7 and No. 9 exhibits both superior to those that carried off the second prize, and we wish to know why a third prize was not awarded. The celery was generally good and so were the cauliflowers, but coming to cabbages we really must dissent with the judges' 2nd and 3rd awards, as No. 24 and No. 10 were both better than those that carried off prizes. The 1st prize cabbages were showing decay and the 2nd and 3rd bad kind; the 2nd prize should have taken 1st and No. 9 the 3rd. In cabbage lettuce the same fault occurred in 1st prize, and we did not find a second. 3rd prize should have taken 1st and No. 6 2nd. The 1st prize Peas were much ahead of other exhibits. Those taking and prize were too old, and we are of opinion no second prize should have been awarded. The 2nd and 3rd prize long carrots were overgrown, and with the 3rd were better than the 2nd. The best short carrots, No. 9, were overlooked, we suppose on account of their only counting 5, one having probably been lost in the tossing about the vegetables underwent during arrangement. The 1st prize turnips were excellent but generally the exhibits were, like the long carrots, for cattle, and we can only account for the 3rd prize award on the ground that the judges did not know what to do with it. Beets were generally good, but what were the judges doing to award 3rd prize to half-grown specimens—giving everything a turn we suppose. In potatoes we hold that the second prize should have been awarded to the kidneys by the same exhibitor as the first, and as no exhibitor can take two prizes in one class, then what was adjudged the 2nd should have been content with 3rd. The same remarks apply to Leeks, in which there was an immense difference between 1st and 2nd prizes, which was bridged over by a second string from the exhibitor of the 1st prize lot. Onions were good, but not so good as we have seen them. Kohl Rabi, Endive, and Pot Herbs, took up a certain amount of space, and so did Couve Troughandas and scotch kale and were no doubt good of their kind, but these vegetables are more useful than popular. Tomatoes were magnificent; but we think the judges should have examined the vegetable marrows before awarding the 1st prize where they did. One of the two was rotten at one end. We were glad to notice in the Chinese exhibits, Cabbages, Cauli-

flowers, Red Cabbages, Potatoes, Carrots, Beet, Parsley, Radishes, Kohl Rabi, and Horse Radish, that would have held their own against the European exhibits. Celery and Turnips were a little weaker, and in Peas and Beans they were certainly behind European grown vegetables.

**PLANTS IN POTS.**  
Six Ferns—1st prize, Mr. A. G. Romano; 2nd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 3rd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 4th, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 5th, Mr. A. G. Romano; 6th, Mr. C. S. Taylor.  
Six Annuals—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Foliage Plants—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Flowering Plants—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Camellias—1st prize, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. A. G. Romano; 5th, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 6th, Mr. A. G. Romano.  
Three Geraniums—1st prize, Mr. D. Nowidge; 2nd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 3rd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Three Chrysanthemums—1st prize, Mr. D. Nowidge; 2nd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 3rd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Three Roses—1st prize, Mr. D. Nowidge; 2nd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 3rd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Three Anacards—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Hyacinths—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Narcissus—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Adiantums—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Daphnes—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Three Camellias—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.

**CUT FLOWERS.**  
Four Camellia Flowers—1st prize, Mr. D. Nowidge; 2nd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 3rd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Four Chrysanthemum Blooms—1st prize, Mr. D. Nowidge; 2nd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 3rd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Four Rose Mosses—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Four Cut Flowers, distinct (each bunch consisting of one variety only)—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
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**VEGETABLES.**  
Six kinds of Vegetables—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
Six kinds of Vegetables—1st prize, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 2nd, Mr. D. Nowidge; 3rd, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 4th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 5th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 6th, Mr. D. Nowidge.  
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**FRUIT (GROWN IN HONGKONG).**  
Best Collection—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Strawberries—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pomegranates—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pumpkins—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
China Gooseberries—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Fine Apples—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.

**POULTRY.**  
Pen of Cocker Spaniel—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pen of Shanghai Fowls—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pen of Black Spanish Fowls—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pen of any other kind of Fowls—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pen of Foreign Ducks—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pen of Foreign Geese—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Pen of Guinea Fowls—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.

**SPECIAL PRIZES.**  
Chicory—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Radishes—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Artichokes—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Endive—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.  
Carrots—1st prize, Mr. H. Dickie; 2nd, Mr. A. G. Romano; 3rd, Mr. C. S. Taylor; 4th, Mr. F. B. Johnson; 5th, Mr. D. Nowidge; 6th, Mr. F. B. Johnson.

**MAILS EXPECTED.**  
THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
The P. & O. steamer *Rangalore*, with the next outward English mail, left Singapore for this port, at 5 p.m. on the 12th instant, and may be expected here on the 16th.  
THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
The O. and O. steamer *Belita*, with the next American mail, left San Francisco on the 26th January, and is due here on or about the 26th instant.

**STEAMERS EXPECTED.**  
The steamer *Gleniffer* left Singapore on the 5th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 16th instant.  
The steamer *Gleniffer* left Singapore on the 12th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 20th.  
The steamer *Meath* left Sydney for Hongkong, via Port of Call, on the 2nd instant, and is due here on or about the 28th instant.  
The steamer *Nelson* left Sydney on the 6th February, and is due here on or about the 1st March.

**NOTICE OF REMOVAL.**  
A. MILLAR & CO., PLUMBERS, REMOVED their Office and Warehouse to No. 6, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, where Orders for Fittings and Repairs will be punctually attended to.  
Hongkong, 11th November, 1881. [25]  
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Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [3]  
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Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [5]  
**NOTICE OF REMOVAL.**  
R. FRASER & SMITH, PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, ARBITRATOR, AND COMMISSION MERCHANT, has THIS DAY Removed to No. 6, Peddar's Hill.  
All kinds of COMMISSION BUSINESS executed on the most reasonable terms. Special Agents in London and Sydney.  
Office Hours: Nine till Four.  
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1882.

**THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY** WILL BE SOLD BY Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, QUEEN'S ROAD.  
**THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY** WILL CONTAIN THE REVISED ISSUE OF THE POSTAL GUIDE.  
OFFICE, 6, PEDDAR'S HILL.  
**THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY** WILL BE SOLD BY Messrs. MACLEVEN, FRICKEL & Co., QUEEN'S ROAD.  
**THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY** WILL CONTAIN THE NAMES OF THE OFFICERS OF THE BUFFS.  
NOW ON THE WAY TO THIS STATION.  
OFFICE, 6, PEDDAR'S HILL.  
**HAIR DRESSING SALOON**  
HONGKONG HOTEL.  
W. P. MOORE begs to inform the Gentle men of Hongkong and Visitors that he has reduced the price of Hair-Cutting to 50 cents. Having now in his employ three competent Assistants who are always in attendance, he guarantees to execute this class of work, in all its branches, with a perfection which cannot be excelled in any part of the World.  
Hair-Cut.....50 Cents.  
Shampooing.....25 Cents.  
Shaving.....25 Cents.  
Trimming Beards.....25 Cents.  
MONTHLY CUSTOMERS TAKEN AT REDUCED RATES.  
RAZORS MOST CAREFULLY RE-SET.  
Mr. MOORE begs to recommend his GOGO SHAMPOO WASH to the public as unrivalled by any preparation ever produced for promoting the growth of the hair. The basis of this compound is made of soap root, the natives of the Philippine Islands never use anything else for washing their hair; they are never found bald, and it is quite common to see the females with hair from 5 to 6 feet long. By constantly using this shampoo Wash as directed, you will NEVER BE BALD.  
The proprietor offers the Wash to the public entirely confident that by its restorative properties it will, without fail, arrest decaying hair. It completely eradicates scurf, dandruff, and cures all diseases of the scalp. It does not contain any poisonous drugs. By its cooling properties it allays the itching and fever of the scalp, which is the great cause of people losing their hair.  
Mr. MOORE has succeeded in being able to put this wash up in bottles without allowing it to ferment, and he will guarantee it to keep any length of time in any climate. [64]

shamrock, Rose, sunlight, and Gold Bar, public form distinctly points to the winner of the two half mile races at Shanghai as the most dangerous member. Shamrock is a racing like brown, with low level action, and fine propelling power which sends him over the ground like a piece of machinery. He won the Maloo Plate as a 100lb. penalty to easy victory on the following day in the Northern Cup from Red Hair, Lothair, Gang Forward, and a good field. Shamrock also won the Mongol Cup, over a mile and a half, and the Grand Stand stakes over a similar distance, beating in the last named event, Oriole and second Cornet. This is a good enough for anything, and as the pony is exceptionally smart, whatever beats him will be returned the winner. Rose is an exceedingly handsome pony, but as he has been amiss for some time we are hardly likely to see him in his best form at this meeting. It is intended if possible to run him in one or two races, and with fair luck his superior class might enable him to pull through against second rate ponies. Rose won the Maiden Stakes, 6 furlongs, at Shanghai in 1.32, and the Cornet Cup, a mile and a half in 3.17, so if he can be got in anything like his old form he will be very dangerous. The Hankow pony, sunlight, is a powerfully built customer with a strong back and loins, and nice racing shapes all over. At a distance this pony would give the casual observer the idea that he is weedy, but on closer inspection you find that he is muscular and compact, with quarters like a horse. Gifted with an immense turn of speed, and a capability of carrying weight, sunlight must show prominently in many races, and it is likely enough that this may be his journey. Sunlight has won races over all sorts of distances, so he should prove a very dangerous customer even for cracks to oppose. Gold Bar (late First Clarinet) won the Maidens at Shanghai on his first appearance in public, and has not won a race since. He was purchased by his present owner at auction for Taels 450, in the autumn of 1880, and has been more or less unsound until within the past few weeks. Gold Bar is a handsome bay, with a rather climbing action in front, and although very speedy, he is not quite up to tip-top form. Redstar finished third for the Wong-wei-chong last year, and he will hardly improve on that position on this occasion. Handsome as a picture, with brilliant action, and attested staying powers, Mr. Mould's good-looking chesnut just missed being a racer of the very highest class. He wants a little more length and liberty in his frame and is slightly deficient in speed. With a star, Redstar might probably run close, but his absolute victory is out of the question. To sum up, I fancy that the first race of the meeting between strathpeffer and the representatives of Messrs. Paul and Gordon, and believing that the first named has to a certain extent lost his brilliant speed for short races by being trained over long distances I shall expect to see the battle fought out between First Cornet and shamrock, presuming that these two ponies are elected to represent their respective stables.

In to-morrow's issue I hope to review the prospects of the ponies entered for the Ashley Cup, the Derby, and the Inniskilling and Poochow Cups.

## AN OLD SPORTSMAN.

A drizzling rain fell during the night, and had not ceased when training operations commenced this morning. The course was fairly good going, although somewhat holding in parts, but fast times could hardly be looked for. As the morning advanced, and the track became more sticky, and cut up, times would naturally become slower. We mention this as believers in the time test might very easily be a long way out in their calculations, if they omitted to make allowance for the difference in the state of the course. Our view on training are so well known that we need not go into the question at present; it is our intention, however, to devote some space to this point in our Racing Notes. It was about 6.30 when Mr. Hutchings mounted the much-bellauded shell, to give him that gallop which has been threatened by the irrepressible Harry for the past week. We have in a previous article stated that shell was not quite the wonder the vivid imaginations of his sanguine owners had painted in such glowing colors. We repeat now that the reputed mile and a quarter in 2.46, and the pony's ability to win the Derby is simple "rot." Shell is a big, long-striding pony, and he may be a long way from the best of the subscription griffins, although that has to be proved; but we repeat the challenge that the winner of Derby will concede shell seven pounds from one hundred yards to ten miles for any reasonable sum the Grammont confederacy may care to put down. Full particulars may be obtained at this office, if the believers in the subscription griffin mean business, not empty brag. It will of course be understood that we are not in any way "gammed" by shell's previous reputed trials. That the pony has been well tried for a subscription griffin is quite certain, that he may win both Valley takes and German Cup easily is more than likely, but that he has any claims to be considered a race pony is what we decline to admit. Mr. Gordon, who is well known to be a racing man whose opinions are not altogether valueless, informs us that if shell is such a wonder as his owners so openly say he is, he is willing to back a pony in his stable to give shell on the fourth day of the races 14lbs. over any reasonable amount. With all this, we are not to be gulled either by Mr. Grammont's veracity, or Wild Harry's blarney. Shell has most certainly accomplished a good performance, or the Macao 1000 would hardly have waited his absence for three days in trying to get Mr. Paul to back White Cloud against the dark grey for \$3,000. We have all heard of the vaulting ambition which overleaps itself, and comes a cropper on the other side. So it has been with shell.

There has been a deal of mystery about him, the reputed best jockey in China has been specially retained to ride him, and all sorts of rumours as to his actual merits have been in circulation. He galloped the other morning in a style, that under any possible circumstances could not win a race; to-day ridden by Mr. Hutchings he covered the German Cup course in 3 minutes 16 1/2 seconds. He was not driven, or ridden out in any way, and his times for the various distances were—Half mile, 1.21; six furlongs, 2.01; an one mile 2.42. Of course this was a mere exercise gallop; but the pony's style of going is anything but perfection, and his last quarter in 33 1/2 seconds may betoken as a true indication of his actual merit, as Mr. Hutchings rode him clear out from the quarter mile post. Unless Mr. Grammont's "crack" can show a very great improvement on his recent form he will not win a race at the meeting. Strathpeffer and strathpeffer did healthy galloping exercise at a very slow pace, but both these ponies are almost cherry ripe. Gold Bar raced once round in 2.5, covering the full mile in 2.14, which considering the state of the course is an exceptionally good performance. Bohemian galloped steadily—a mile in 2.28 1/2, a mile and a quarter 3.09. Sunlight, with weight up, was sent nearly at racing speed for a mile and a quarter, the quarters in the last mile reading 35, 36, 1.24, 2.17. Kataplan took 3.15 to accomplish the German Cup distance, and as he appeared to be driven along, we should say he is quite useless. Second Violin and Hualachan galloped a mile and a quarter separately, the Griffin, ridden out, making 34, 34, 1.44, 2.57. Lord of Isles was sent a mile at half speed, covering the last six furlongs in 1.49. Sportsman, Craftsman, and Huntsman "powed" over the Derby course, the last named ridden by Mr. Ogle winning easily in 3.36 from Sportsman, with Craftsman beaten off. This is a good performance, and gives Huntsman an unmistakable chance of winning the Derby. Hurricane took 3.38 to accomplish the Derby distance, but as the last quarter was covered in 33 seconds, the pony was evidently capable of doing much better time. Redstar slipped along in good form for six furlongs. East Wind, with Mr. Brandt up, galloped a mile in 2.14. Grey Mist and Scotch Mist "powed" a mile and a quarter in 3.08. Mr. Clench's pony, ridden by Mr. Allan, having much the best of the trial. Over the same course Lochiel came in three lengths ahead of Whisper in 3.13, the last named running at great disadvantage on the slippery course, being unshod. White stockings and Wild sell also galloped a mile and a quarter, light weights up, and registered 3.05, last three quarters in 1.59. Tajmahal went steadily for two miles, occupying 5.12 to complete the journey, the last mile and a half in 3.54. Strathista and Gang Forward galloped a mile, the former making a very poor show in the heavy going, and the time accomplished by the latter, 2.22, was not much to boast of. Lightning galloped once mile by himself, his record being as follows:—361, 75, 1.53, 2.23. Thistle and White Cloud also galloped, but at a ridiculously slow pace, and we should imagine that Thistle is a very delicate and uncertain pony to deal with. Sirocco's mile and a half in 3.41—last quarter in 31 1/2—was quite good enough to give this game little racer a good look-in for the Derby. Bavarian cantered, as did Grenade, Ranplan, Kwai-Kwai, and Lah-di-dah, in Mr. Grammont's team. Detonator galloped, but he is utterly useless. Driving Cloud was sent a long steady gallop, Troquois pounding along for half a mile at a fast pace; and over the same course Swift Wings beat Glenary in 1.08. Sub Rosa, with his swollen knee plainly describable was confined to trotting exercise, but Rosella, Grim Death, and Jet in the same team galloped at about half speed. Lame Duck, apparently much benefited by his short sojourn on Stonecutters' Island was on the course, and did healthy exercise. Airdie trotted, finishing up with a fast burst the length of the straight, but First Cornet galloped a mile and a half very slowly, and in anything but his usual form. Shamrock, apparently quite recovered from his recent accident, trotted about three miles; Rose having previously galloped smartly after a long bout of slow work. Too-too, Wild Race, Wild Eddy, and second Cornet were absent from exercise, all of them being more or less "screwed up."

In order to avoid the inconveniences generally associated with the Chinese New Year, the course will be open on Friday, and if the weather remains fine, it will doubtless also be available for galloping on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday.

According to Chief Justice Prince, New Mexico has more gold than California, and more silver than Colorado. Humboldt predicted that the mineral wealth of the world would be found to lie in Asia and New Mexico, and it is believed that the time for testing the truth of this opinion has about arrived. Madrid newspapers are discussing a scheme suggested for the purchase of Gibraltar. A few bankers are said to offer five million francs towards the object, and if England refuses to sell the rock, then the money subscribers will be devoted to fortifying the straits, both in Africa and Spain. The exceedingly low price at which Kerosene oil is to be had everywhere is accounted for by the fact that one thousand million gallons are in stock at the place where it is produced, and that the supply from the petroleum wells is sometimes so great that it is allowed to run to waste for want of means of storage. A writer in the  *Jewish Chronicle*  says:—"To a stranger like myself nothing can produce a more painful impression than the aspect of the Jewish quarter of Smyrna, an impression which can only be heightened by a due consideration of the manners and customs of the residents. In the first place, the attire of the women is repugnant both by its lack of elegance and of decency. As soon as a girl reaches a certain age she no longer covers her bosom. This habit, which is likewise in vogue amongst married women, I had never been aware of until my arrival at Smyrna. I am bound to admit, however, that this looseness in dress does not imply a corresponding looseness in morals, which in general are very pure among the Smyrniote sisters. Nevertheless, this usage is an object of scandal where the majority of the population have adopted the European style of dress. The male portion of the Jewish inhabitants for the most part dress according to Oriental fashion." There are in Smyrna 25,000 Jews.

**TRAINING NOTES.**  
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**KOBE.**  
Kobe, February 2.  
Information has been received of a large fire which took place at Noboku, Kishu, on Saturday night the 28th ult., destroying 340 houses and the telegraph office, with the greater part of the telegraph line passing through the town. No deaths are reported.

We observe by an advertisement which appears in the copy of the *Nagasaki* paper which reached us yesterday by the *Hiro-shima-maru*—by-the-by the late arrival of the steamer was owing to heavy weather between Shanghai and Nagasaki—that Mr. Troup, H.B.M.'s Consul in the southern treaty port, is about to leave for Europe.

There is some talk in Tokio of a banquet to Mr. Kennedy. As the prime movers are persons notorious for having worked seditiously, but without avail, against Sir Harry Parkes, it is not probable Mr. Kennedy will help them to play this, their last card. Of course they don't care a button for Mr. Kennedy, but particularly as he is leaving—they only wish to make a "splurge" as a counter-demonstration against the address to be presented to Sir Harry Parkes.

We notice by a paragraph in the *Yokohama Herald* that after one more trip between Hongkong and Yokohama the P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Malacca* will be withdrawn from the line and proceed to Bombay, where she will undergo a thorough overhaul in the company's extensive establishment in that port. The directors of the company appear inclined to devote more attention to the line between Hongkong and Yokohama, as a far finer vessel than the *Malacca* is to take her place, which will be occupied by the *Yamato*, of 2,488 registered tonnage and 2,200 horse power.

Noticing in the *Nagasaki* paper that the Chinese man-of-war *Yu-Yue* left that port last Thursday for Kobe, we made some inquiries respecting her whereabouts, seeing that the vessel had evidently been delayed *en route* for some reason or other. We have ascertained that the *Yu-Yue*'s machinery broke down in the vicinity of Shimoda, and as there are no means of repairing the damage in itself we are told very trifling—on board the vessel is continuing her voyage under sail. The *Yu-Yue* states that the *Yu-Yue* is of 3,200 tons displacement, 500 horse-power, and carries a crew of 30 officers and men, she was built in Shanghai, and the new Chinese Minister to Japan, His Excellency Li, is a passenger on board.

John Chinaman was in high "fettle" yesterday. A live Minister, and a real Chinese man-of-war, built in the Flowery Land and therefore much superior to anything produced by the outside barbarians, quite upset the usually placid demeanour of the local representatives of the Celestial Empire. The remarkable state carriage and the more remarkable coachman and coachman's hat which figured so prominently when the British Princes landed here recently, were borrowed for the occasion, and the resident Chinese population turned out to a man, woman, and child, to witness His Excellency Li disembark and proceed to the Consulate. We feel a pardonable repugnance to wounding the susceptible egotism of our celestial friends, and shall therefore refrain from giving any further particulars of the official landing. But at the same time we cannot help remarking that we were most terribly disappointed in the appearance of the *Yu-Yue*'s Empress, the daughter of the smart, appropriate, and thoroughly workmanlike clothing everywhere associated with a man-of-war's man, the Chinese sailors are encumbered with about the most hideous garb perpetrated in gentry ever invented. For picked men, as they are not, the two boats' crews in the Western chamber yesterday forenoon seemed to have very judiciously ideas on the subject of keeping time when rowing, and judging altogether from appearances (which are proverbially deceptive), it would not appear very unsafe to wager that a couple of average Japanese sailors could polish off an almost any saw yesterday.

An incident occurred in Osaka the other day which shows very conclusively that notwithstanding the self-glorification of the Japanese officials respecting the new criminal code, the people of this country are still groaning under the burden of a detestable tyranny. A young man, son of one of the leading timber merchants of Osaka, attended a social gathering, and during the evening happened to look over a photographic album. Coming across a likeness of His Majesty the Emperor, he remarked—"Well, he's no good. He promises us a parliament ten years ago, and now we have to wait ten more years for it; he's no good." This incautious expression of an opinion very prevalent among the lower classes of Japanese, as well as the more pronounced advocates of liberal institutions, was reported to the police, presumably by one of the countless spies that are maintained at the cost of the overburdened treasury of the country. They young fellow—he is barely eighteen years of age—was once taken into custody, and has since been closely confined in gaol waiting trial on a charge of speaking disrespectfully of the Emperor. This it seems is a crime specially provided for in the new criminal code. Quite recently a publicist in Kobe was sentenced to four years' imprisonment and one year's police supervision for a similar offence, and it is much to be feared that the present victim of this barbarous law will be visited with severe penalties. While these sort of punishments for trivial offences are possible, it is quite idle for the Japanese Government to think that Foreign Powers will hand their citizens or subjects over to the tender mercies of the new code and its vicious administration. Torture, the vernacular paper alleges, is still resorted to by the officials, although not so openly nor frequently as formerly. The famous new code that was to place Japan on a level with the most advanced nations as regards her criminal jurisprudence has turned out, in one particular at all events, a terrible engine for the maintenance of an arbitrary system of Government, but it is fortunate that the fact received prominence at this particular time, when the long deferred problem of treaty revision is on the eve of solution.—*Higo News*.

**MAILS EXPECTED.**  
THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
The P. & O. steamer *Rangalore*, with the next outward English mail, left Singapore for this port, at 5 p.m. on the 12th instant, and may be expected here on the 16th.  
THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
The O. and O. steamer *Belita*, with the next American mail, left San Francisco on the 26th January, and is due here on or about the 26th instant.

**STEAMERS EXPECTED.**  
The steamer *Gleniffer* left Singapore on the 5th instant,



